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I believe I am an original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled TELECOMMUNICATIONS FIBER OPTIC INFRASTRUCTURE, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

And I hereby appoint Robert F. Perry (Registration No. 34,897) my attorney with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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